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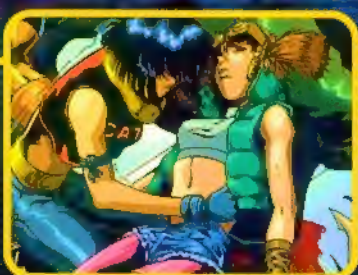
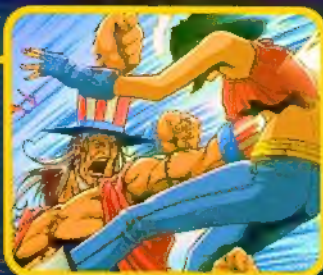
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THE PAST

SUICIDE AND MIKI—It seemed like a lifetime ago for Vampi, when her biggest struggles were dealing with her pseudo-boyfriend Suicide and handling the mixing board for her best friend Miki's punk rock band.

THE DEAD PRESIDENTS—Dressed in red, white and blue, they had a unique idea of patriotism, one that involved cleansing America of anyone who didn't fit their bigoted vision. Suicide stood up to them and was repaid for his courage in bruises and blood. They tracked him down at Miki's gig where they struck hard and leveled anything that moved. Vampi struck back and unleashed her inhuman strength and agility. Yet, she watched as Miki went down in a pool of blood.



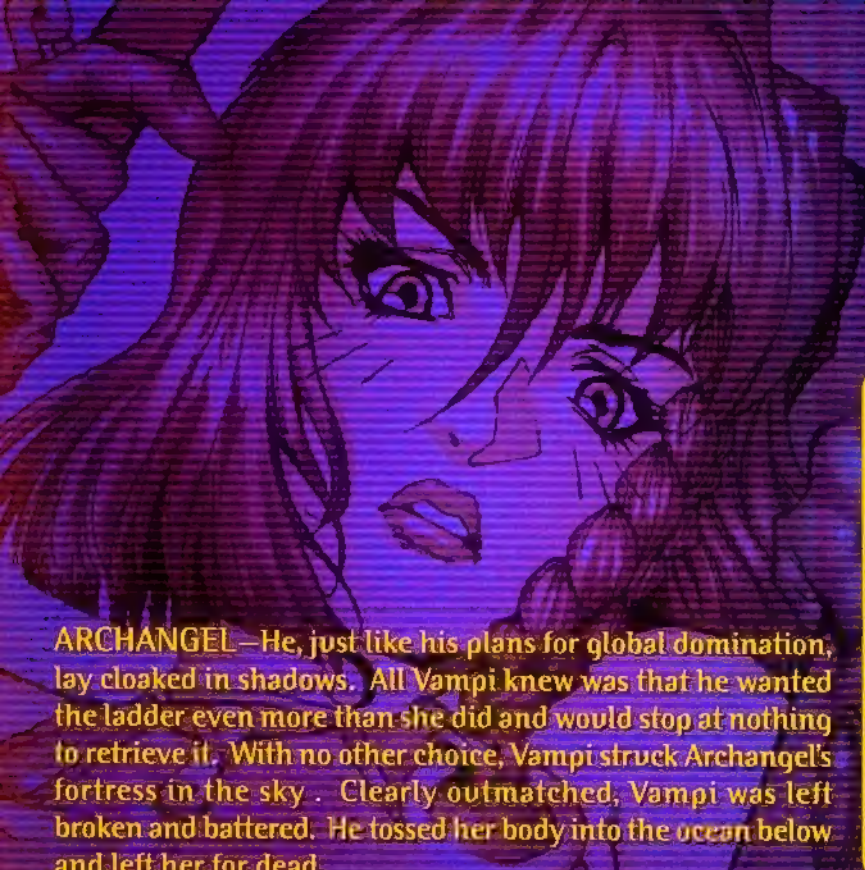
THE PRESENT

VAMPI—all she wanted was her life back. Though her enemies might have been fooled by her innocent looks, they masked a fierce war raging within. What was she? The monster who fed off of the blood of her victims to survive? Or the heroine who brandished the strength of that monster against the forces of darkness. It's a struggle that consumed her...and one she could endure no longer.



THE LADDER—a genetically engineered map of the human body and the key to Vampi's cure. With it, she might unlock the chains of her vampirism and lead a normal life. When Vampi invaded a skyscraper in the hopes of finally retrieving it, she soon realized she had been set up. A puppet master stood high above the action, pulling the strings.



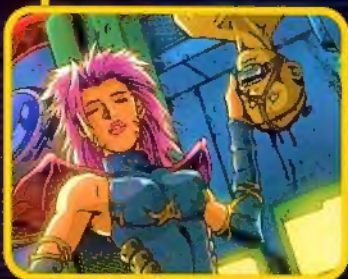


ARCHANGEL—He, just like his plans for global domination, lay cloaked in shadows. All Vampi knew was that he wanted the ladder even more than she did and would stop at nothing to retrieve it. With no other choice, Vampi struck Archangel's fortress in the sky. Clearly outmatched, Vampi was left broken and battered. He tossed her body into the ocean below and left her for dead.

JACOB AND BIOCORP—The original engineers of The Ladder rescued her from the sea and nursed her back to health, little realizing a traitor lay in their midst. With their security compromised, Archangel's biomechanical henchmen Shockrock and Deadbolt invaded, hell-bent on destroying Vampi's threat to their master's plans. In a desperate move, Vampi sped up the activation of a "doomsday device" that destroyed any surrounding circuitry. It took out Archangel's goons, but at a price: the erasure of Biocorp's databases and the information needed to stop Archangel.

THE MEAT BOUTIQUE—With no clues to Archangel's plans, Jacob examined the memories stored in Deadbolt's crippled memory bank. There he discovered Archangel's most heinous scheme. Deep in the bowels of the city Archangel constructed a factory of torture and death. Children were shipped there like cattle, their organs and limbs harvested for sale and profit. The overseer of this hell on earth was Archangel's right-hand woman.

ENDURA—Vampi knew she would be the last hope for recovering The Ladder. Endura counted on it and lured Vampi into a trap. After a battle which left her weakened and blood-starved, Vampi is injected with the Omega Complex—a serum which intensifies her bestial nature. Now ravenous with her long dormant thirst, Endura watches, as the bloodlust dominates Vampi's every thought until there is nothing left but a monster.



THE MEAT BOUTIQUE:

CONTROL TO
STREET GANG--
STANDARD SEARCH
AND RESCUE.

MR. JONES
HAS DESIGNATED THIS
OPERATION TOP
PRIORITY.

THESE ARE
YOUR OBJECTIVES:

ALL HOSTILES
TO BE TERMINATED...

...WITH EXTREME
PREJUDICE.

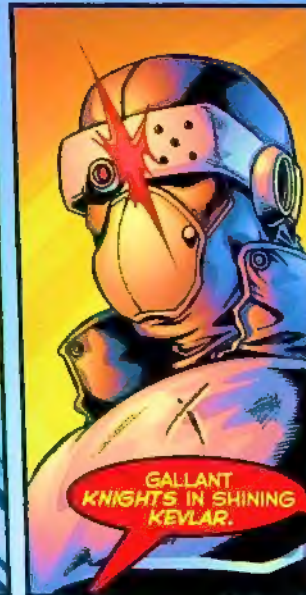
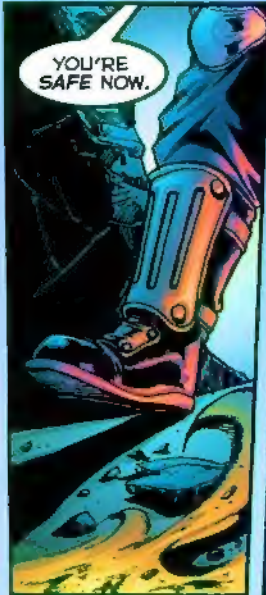
SECURE THE AREA
AND GET THOSE KIDS
OUT OF THERE.

LOCATE AND ACQUIRE
PRIMARY TARGET--
DESIGNATE: VAMPI.

RECON ONE
TO CONTROL.

SCANNING
FOR ANOMALOUS
HIGHER-LIFE
SIGNS NOW...

...PRIMARY
TARGET
LOCATED.

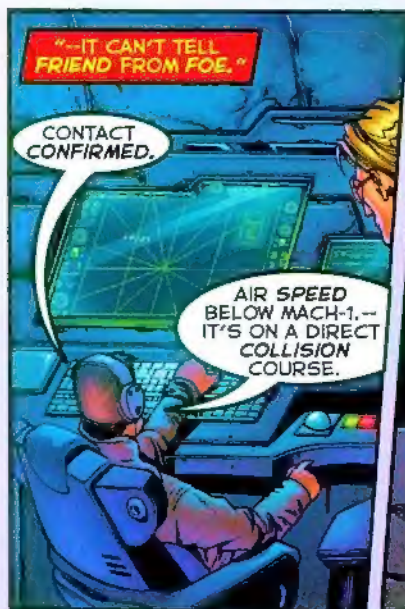




BUT DO
I LOOK LIKE A
DAMEL IN
DISTRESS?!

I
DOUBT
IT.

THAT'S
THE PROBLEM WITH
TECHNOLOGY...



"-- IT'S
ALREADY
TOO LATE."



WHY DID
YOU LOCK ALL
THE DOORS,
JACOB?



'CAUSE I
STAYED OUT AFTER
CURFEW?



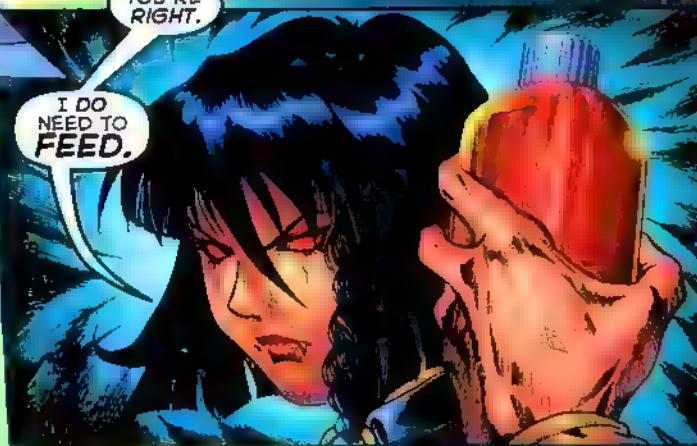
STAND
DOWN--NOBODY
SHOOT!



LISTEN TO
ME, VAMPI. I CAN
SEE YOU NEED
TO... FEED.

JUST
TAKE THIS--
OKAY?

YOU'RE
RIGHT.



I DO
NEED TO
FEED.





BUT
NOT ON
THAT!



YOU TRIED TO
CONTROL ME WITH
THAT SYNTHETIC
CRAP!



AND
KIDDED
YOURSELF
YOU DID IT
OUT OF
LOVE!



NOW YOU
WANT TO KILL
WHAT YOU CAN'T
CONTROL.



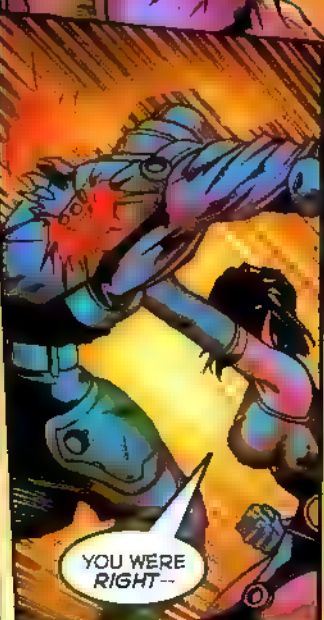
JUST LIKE
ALL MEN KILL THE
THING THEY LOVE,
RIGHT ...?



...UNLESS IT KILLS THEM FIRST!



REMEMBER YOU SAID I WAS TOO WEAK TO FACE ENDURA?



YOU WERE RIGHT--



-- BECAUSE YOU MADE ME WEAK!



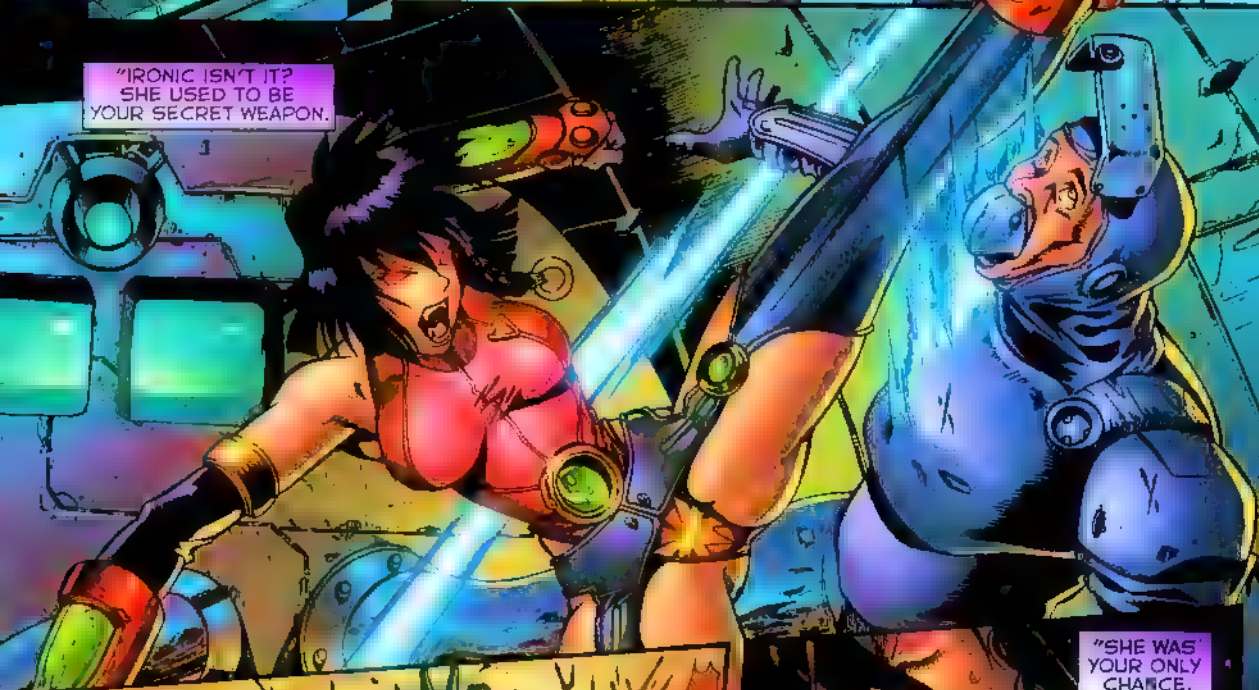
GOING SOMEWHERE, JACOB?



I DON'T
THINK SO.



"I REALLY
DON'T."



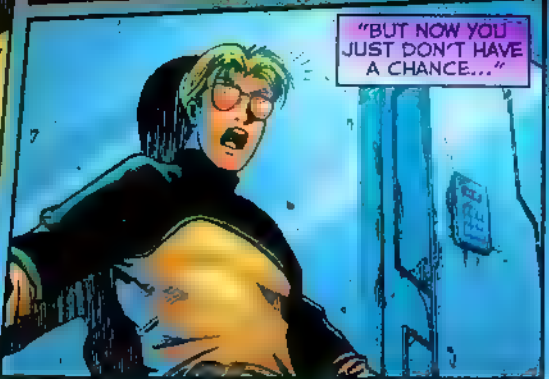
"IRONIC ISN'T IT?
SHE USED TO BE
YOUR SECRET WEAPON."



"WITHOUT HER
YOU COULDN'T
HAVE CHALLENGED
ARCHANGEL."



"SHE WAS
YOUR ONLY
CHANCE."



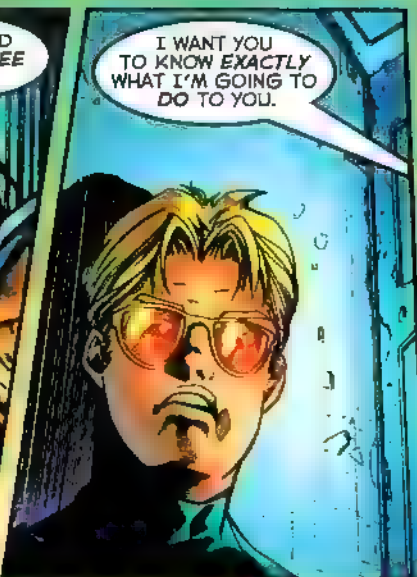
"BUT NOW YOU
JUST DON'T HAVE
A CHANCE..."



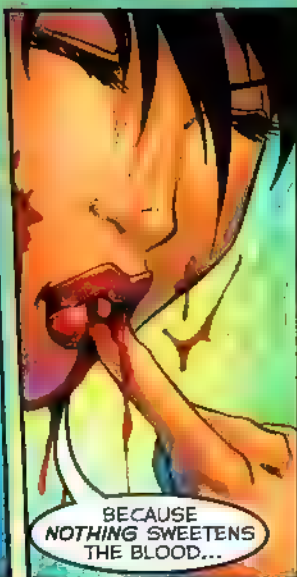
BUT I
SUPPOSE THE
IRONY IS LOST
ON YOU NOW.



I WANTED
YOU TO SEE
THAT.



I WANT YOU
TO KNOW EXACTLY
WHAT I'M GOING TO
DO TO YOU.



BECAUSE
NOTHING SWEETENS
THE BLOOD...



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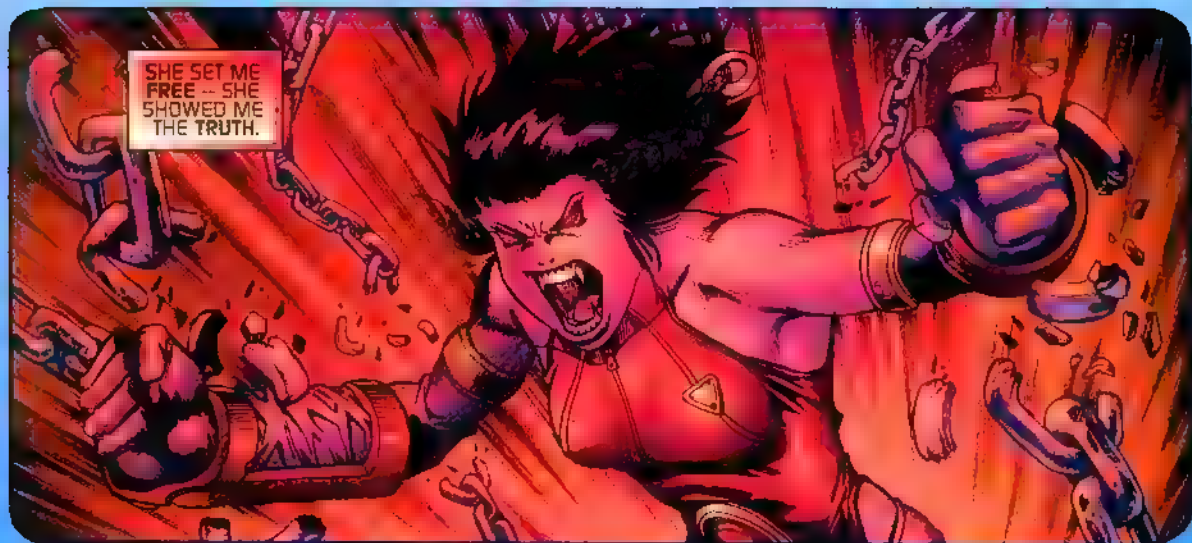


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NO RULES!



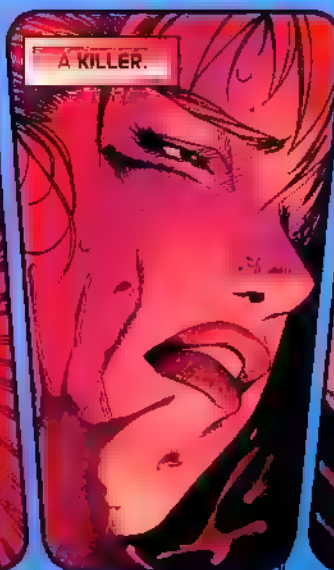
SHE SET ME
FREE -- SHE
SHOWED ME
THE TRUTH.



SHE MADE ME
REMEMBER
WHAT I AM.



A PREDATOR.



A KILLER.



A VAMPIRE.



EVERYTHING
YOU--AND YOUR
LIES--MADE ME
FORGET.

SHE ONLY
SHOWED YOU
HALF THE
TRUTH.

I DIDN'T
MAKE YOU FORGET
ANYTHING.

IF YOU WANT
THE TRUTH, THEN
REMEMBER WHAT
SHE MADE YOU
FORGET...





YOU ALREADY
WATCHED ME WASTE
ONE BITCH
TONIGHT.

DO YOU REALLY
WANNA GAMBLE
ON THIS ONE'S
LIFE?

SUICIDE,
DON'T... DON'T
LISTEN TO THIS
BASTARD.

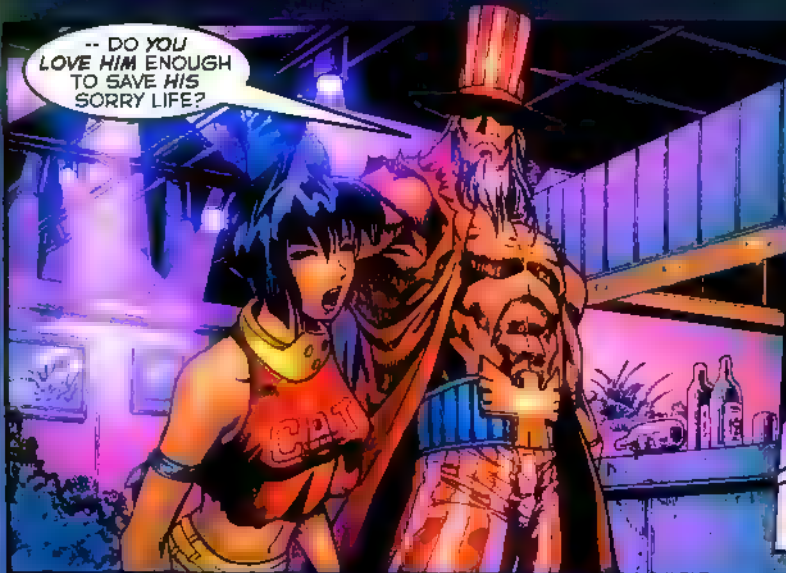
BLOW
HIS GODDAMN
HEAD OFF!

I
CAN'T.

NICE
PIECE, KID.

AND CHECK THIS OUT,
GUYS ...





-- DO YOU
LOVE HIM ENOUGH
TO SAVE HIS
SORRY LIFE?



FORGET
THE BITCH--
SHE'S GOOD
AS DEAD
ALREADY.

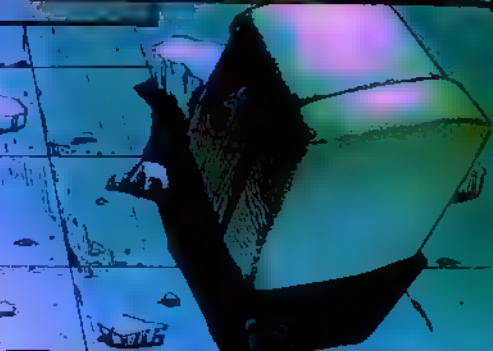


BUT HE'S
STILL GOT A
CHANCE.



IT'S
ALL UP TO
YOU.

IF YOU
WANT HIM TO KEEP
HIS ARMS, YOU'LL
DO THE RIGHT
THING...



...AND LICK
HIS BLOOD
UP!



SEE,
HE'S A LUCKY
BOY...

"...SHE LOVES
HIM, TOO."

DON'T YOU
REMEMBER?

THIS
ISN'T WHAT
YOU ARE.

IT'S
WHAT ENDURA
MADE YOU.

A PAWN
IN ONE OF HER
SICK GAMES.

YOU WERE
PROGRAMMED
TO KILL ME.

BUT NOT
ALL MEN CAN KILL
THE THING THEY
LOVE, VAMPI.

I
CAN'T KILL
YOU.

I
KNOW WHO YOU
REALLY ARE.

EVEN
IF YOU DON'T.

Jacob...



...help me.

MY GOD, WHAT DID THEY DO TO YOU?

A serum synthesized from my own blood.

It's eating me alive.

Can't keep fighting it.



HANG ON,
VAMPI.

WHATEVER
IT TAKES, WE'LL
BEAT THIS...

...I
WON'T LET
THOSE BASTARDS
WIN!

THIS
IS BECOMING
DEPRESSING.

"FROM
THE JAWS OF
VICTORY..."

"...WE SNATCH
DEFEAT.

"AGAIN.

"VAMPI WAS
THE PERFECT
WEAPON.

"BUT YOU LET
HER SLIP
THROUGH
OUR FINGERS."



HER
DESIRE TO BE
CURED IS STRONG,
STRONGER THAN HER
ADDICTION.

BUT I
FORESAW THIS,
AND PREPARED A
CONTINGENCY
PLAN.

FOR YOUR
SAKE, I HOPE SO.
ARCHANGEL DOESN'T
TOLERATE FAILURE.

IT'S
A CURE
SHE WANTS,
YES?

SO
I'LL CURE
HER.

WE
WILL
SEE WHAT A
PERFECT WEAPON
SHE IS...

AFTER
I'VE PULLED
HER FANGS!

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CONTINUED

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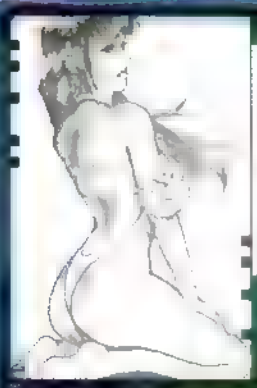
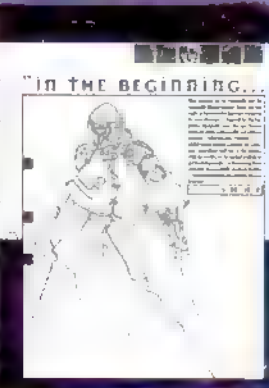
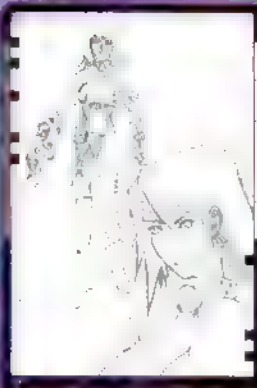
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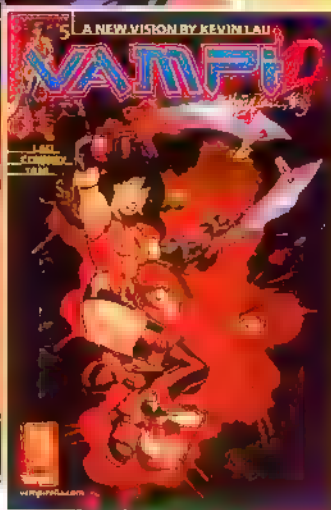
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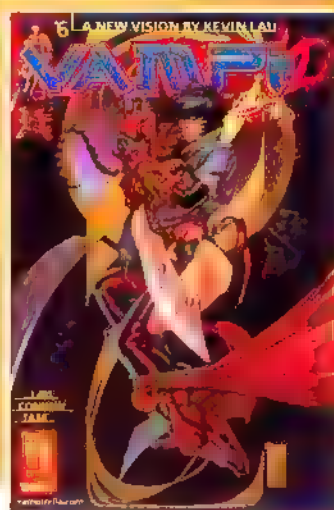
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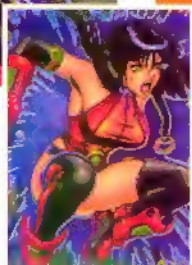
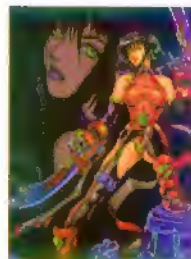
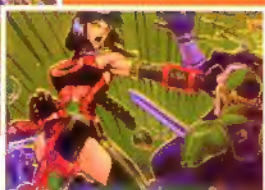
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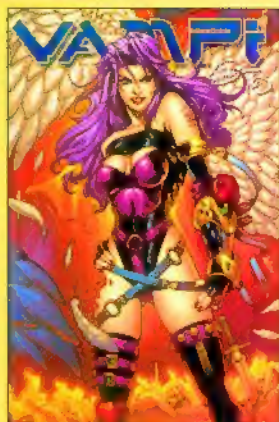
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